

THRU THE BIBLE EXPOSITION

Psalms: God's Nurture Of The Inner Man In The Life Of Faith

CV: Praising God For His Deliverances

(Psalm 105:1-45)

I. Introduction

- A. God repeatedly, faithfully delivers His people, and they owe Him great praise for these merciful acts.
- B. Psalm 105:1-45 praises God for His deliverances of Israel in her history, what we do well to apply in our lives:

II. Praising God For His Deliverances, Psalm 105:1-45.

- A. The verses of this psalm in the Hebrew text are numbered like those in the English Bible (Kittel, Bib. Heb., p. 1064), so we stay with the English Bible's numbering system with this lesson.
- B. We thus translate Psalm 105:1-45 (as follows): (1) "O give thanks to Jahweh; call on His name; make known among the peoples what He has done." (2) "Sing to Him, sing praise to Him; tell of all His extraordinary acts." (3) "Glory in His holy name; let the hearts of those who seek Jahweh rejoice;" (4) "look to Jahweh and His strength; seek His face always." (5) "Remember the extraordinary things which He has done, His miracles, and the judgments He pronounced." (6) "O descendants of Abraham, His servant, O sons of Jacob, His chosen ones." (7) "He (emph. pro.) is Jahweh, our Elohim; His judgments are in all the earth." (8) "He remembers His covenant forever, the word He commanded for a thousand generations," (9) "the covenant He made with Abraham, the oath He swore to Isaac." (10) "He confirmed it to Jacob as a decree, to Israel as an everlasting covenant;" (11) "saying, 'To you will I give the land of Canaan as the portion you will inherit.'" (12) "When they were but a few in number, few indeed, and strangers in it," (13) "they wandered from nation to nation, from one kingdom to another." (14) "He allowed no one to oppress them; for their sake He rebuked kings:" (15) "'Do not touch my anointed ones; do my prophets no harm.'" (16) "He called down famine on the land and destroyed all their supplies of food;" (17) "and He sent a man before them -- Joseph, sold as a slave." (18) "They bruised his feet with shackles, his neck was put in irons," (19) "'til what he foretold came to pass, 'til the word of Jahweh proved him true." (20) "The king sent and released him, the ruler of peoples set him free." (21) "He made him master of his household, ruler over all he possessed," (22) "to discipline his princes as he pleased and teach his elders wisdom." (23) "Then Israel entered Egypt; Jacob lived as an alien in the land of Ham." (24) "He made His people very fruitful; He made them too numerous for their foes," (25) "whose hearts He turned to hate His people, to conspire against His servants." (26) "He sent Moses His servant, and Aaron, whom He had chosen." (27) "They performed His miraculous signs among them, His wonders in the land of Ham." (28) "He sent darkness and made the land dark -- for had they not rebelled against His words?" (29) "He turned their waters into blood, causing their fish to die." (30) "Their land teemed with frogs, which went up into the bedrooms of their rulers." (31) "He spoke, and there came swarms of flies, and gnats throughout their country." (32) "He turned their rain into hail, with lightning throughout their land;" (33) "He struck down their vines and fig trees and shattered the trees of their country." (34) "He spoke, and the locusts came, grasshoppers without number;" (35) "they ate up every green thing in their land, ate up the produce of their soil." (36) "Then He struck down all the firstborn of their land, the firstfruits of all their manhood." (37) "He brought out Israel, laden with silver and gold, and from among their tribes no one faltered." (38) "Egypt was glad when they left, because dread of Israel had fallen on them." (39) "He spread out a cloud as a covering, and a fire to give light at night." (40) "They asked, and He brought them quail and satisfied them with the bread of heaven." (41) "He opened the rock, and water gushed out; like a river it flowed in the desert." (42) "For He remembered His holy promise given to His servant Abraham. (43) "He brought out His people with rejoicing, His chosen ones with shouts of joy;" (44) "He gave them the lands of the nations, and they fell heir to the toil of [other] peoples [to what others worked for] --" (45) "that they might keep His precepts and observe His laws. Parise Jah(weh)!"
- C. The great theme of this psalm is that **God's deliverances of Israel in her history**, including His deliverances of (1) the fathers from Gentile kings when they were few in number (v. 12-22), (2) of Israel from oppression in Egypt (v. 23-38), (3) of Israel from death in the wilderness (v. 39-43) and (4) of Israel from destruction in conquering Canaan so she even inherited farms prepared by Canaanites (v. 44), **make Him worthy of praise.**

Lesson: God's faithful deliverances of Israel down through history make Him worthy of His peoples' praise.

Application: May we praise God for His faithful deliverances of His people throughout history.